GATHERED THEM.

Waldorf-Astoria is the collection Judging from these examples the the printed on black pasteboard in the illustration. share of a coffin and ornamented with. Next to our menus, it is the opinion

RICH COLLECTION OF MENUS Such a wealth of material is at hand, in fact, that it has been found necessary to classify the cards in about twenty-five

For example, under the head "com mercial" are 241 menus; clubs, 75; law associations, 9; musical, 3; holidays, 34; Range From Feasts for Royalty to Lists Waldorf yacht races, 5, complimentary, one Cent Dishes at St. Andrew's 250, &c There are a few meaus classifleting . Famous Banquets of the Pil- fled as "white elephants," which it is grims American Dinner Cards Best. explained are the cumbersome kind that man his fad. That of Oscar have to be boxed and kept apart.

is and he has at the present time United States is far ahead of other counass, which it has taken him twenty tries in this line of artistic achievement There are cards of and while the cards often err on the side divisors given in China and in Persia, of overelaboration a considerable pera fact in all parts of the civilized centage show the finest taste of the staa rid, by societies, to individuals, to tioner and engraver, to say nothing of the an emperate national and personal artist who has added his tribute of water ener's There is a menu of the Thirteen color, sepia, wash drawing, black and white

skulls, and the menu of a railroad club, of the menu expert who has the collection in the form of a coupon, each division of at the Astor Library, numbering about on entitles the holder to a certain dish | 25,000, under her supervision, as well as and the whole taking him the entire jour- I those of Oscar, come the English, who do



TALES OF THE JUNGLE AT THE CAMPFIRE CLUB.

terminal of coffee

and taking a large American beauty rose shows more respect for the President than from a vase approached the distinguished it does for art

rmation but furnishes it in abundance. him a list of the dishes to be eaten.

ney from the station of appetizers to the not go in for the absurdities displayed by the French, but usually have simple Oscar is lamenting that the Camp Fire menus. As the menu expert is German which recently tendered to Col. in nationality her opinion may be slightly sevelt a banquet on the Waldorf roof, prejudiced, but you must agree that the d not have a menu. Before the dinner dinner card showing President Fallières, menced the president of the club who is a big, pudgy man, haloed by angels solemnly rose, adjusted his spectacles who are trying to fit him to a laurel wreath

guest and fastened the flower in the History mentions that some time in the apony of oak leaves over his head, sig- fourteenth century one Albert the Lion, Bishop's crest inset within a heliotrope fying that everything that was said at Duke of Braunsweig, gave a great ban- oval, pink scrolls of 'The Pilgrims', and e feast was to be sub rosa. The same quet to some celebrated guests and that 'Hic et Ubique,' with a miniature of the acreey prevails in regard to the service, at the feast it was noticed that he con- familiar picture of the Canterbury Piland whether hippopotamus cutlets were sulted a paper hidden beneath the cloth. grims as Chaucer described them. erved the general public will never know In course of time, fearful perhaps that the host was figuring how many guests October 15, 1907, a dinner to the Right Fortunately, however, this dinner is an might be conveniently poisoned, he was re- Rev. Lord Bishop of London at the Plaza treption to the general rule, and the quested to tell what the secret paper was Hotel, which is similarly commemorated ection not only furnishes such in- and explained that he had had furnished by a handsome dinner card, the heraldic



SIMPLE MENUS OF THE PAST.

There is no menu extant of the inau-picturesque group of itinerant story gural banquet on the occasion of Wash- tellers. ngton's becoming the first President. authoritative proof that a card was artistically on the bills of fare. used on that occasion.

Pontchartrain, Michigan, October 29, suggest apoplectic seizures. Incidentally the collection of dinner Ceremonies at the Opening of the Buildcards shows that the French service and dishes are universal and that whether in South Africa or in Persia the extraordinary banquet is never of native foods and service, but always French, the cards being written in that popular language and the dishes prepared either by French chefs or according to their recipes.

Three menus clasped together show the card used at the opening of the Waldorf Hotel, the list of dishes served at the opening of the new Hotel Astor, June 9, 1904, which is a simple menu of glazed white with gilt edges and lettering and a photograph on it of the Astor, and the first menu used at the Plaza Hotel, dated September 30, 1907. This is the most elaborate of the three.

First in point of artistic beauty and expenditure stand the menus of the Pilgrims Society of New York, who from time to time gather at celebrated hotels or restaurants in honor of some specially distinguished guest. One of these is deftly taken from a white box and many tissue paper wrappings, disclosing thick leaves, on which the gilt lettering, heraldic designs and illuminated emblems show splendidly. You read: "Dinner in Honor of His Grace Lord Archbishop of Canterbury by the Pilgrims Society of the United States 13 October, 1904."

For special ornamentation there is the

The same society gave on Tuesday. emblems of the Bishop and the same

The dinners given from time to time by and the printed menus of this country, the New York Chamber of Commerce called in fact, do not go back further than a for menus only a trifle less elaborate than hundred years. There is a reprint in the those of the Pilgrims. Glancing at them Oscar collection of a dinner card showing casually, you would say that the quanthe dishes at a banquet at the Old Colony tity and quality of food served was of Glub in Boston, dated 1769, but this was more importance to this august body than taken from a history and there is no the manner in which the items were placed ever, they give the impression of solidity At the opening dinner of the Hotel and permanence if they do occasionally

1907, on the elaborate menu was printed. The oldest of the Chamber of Commerce a copy of the first menu extant of a dinner cards is dated about a hundred years ago. given at the Château Pontchartrain by One card particularly well executed in Eng-Mme la Chancellière, 'Menu du repas au lish black letter reads on the title page, roi Louis le Grand en 1616. The menu "Banquet of the Chamber of Commerce is in old French and the several services of the State of New York, in honor of the denote the number of guests served. Guests who Attended the [Dedicatory

ing of the Chamber, No. 65 Liberty street. New York, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Nov. 11, 1902."

An interesting contrast to these in the matter and manner of making is shown by the menu which emphasizes succeeding menus prove the contrary. Banquet given by the London Chamber of Commerce to the Chamber of Commerce, City of New York, at Grocers Hall, Prince Street, E. C. the Courtesy of the Worshipful Company of Grocers, June 5, 1905, the Hon. Lord

Brassey, K. C. B., in the chair." Several of the menus of the Chamber of Commerce dinners give a description of the ornamentation in the style of an Mercury and the curling leaves of the fare must have been welcome to the much appendix to an art catalogue. This is acanthus form the symbolic introduction, the case of the menus for the 115th annual the coloring of all being rose, gold and dinner, May 8, 1883, at Delmonico's, a white. very simple style, gilt edged, folded card. Vying with this for the place of honor, terrapin, woodcock, salad, cheese and and for that of November 23, 1897, which taking merely the question of exquisite coffee. There was but one wine and reads:

nation of steel plate and die work. The Saturday, March 28, 1908, at the Algon-certainly not in the spirit of good cheer principal feature of the design is the con- quin Club rooms. The menu is of gold were the banquets given at the St Louis olidation of the two cities under one government, which is suggested by the figures two females murally crowned, hands joined and holding the shields of New York and Brooklyn. At the base of this is shown a pleasing array of the feast, on one side of which is the steamship St Louis and on the other the famous locomotive No. 909 outlined against the seal of the Chamber of Commerce

As a suggestion to the diners one of the famous menus of the Amen Club, a printed pamphlet of the shape and size of a Salvation Army War Cry, has this note appended:

Those who feel the inspiration to assist the matter of entertainment by interpolating spontaneous jests, witticisms and comments we thank sincerely for the admirable self-restraint they show in keeping absolutely slient

If you are surfeited by continual reading of elaborate feasts take from the heaped up collection a bit of pasteboard on which is written by a self-invited guest the list of dishes at a feast on September 19, 1907, at St. Andrew's Refuge. The bill of fare reads:

Soup with spagnetti Fish, boiled or baked. Baked beans. Silce white bread.

One of the interesting menus of the division marked "States" is that of the Montana Society, showing a well executed Indian head on the cover and after a most elaborate list of dishes a touching poem writ by J. Campbell Cory. It reads

Take me back to old Montana Where there's plenty room an' air Where there's cottonwood and pine trees, Bitter root and prickly pear.
Where there ain't no bluff nor giltter



THE MENU FOR THE OTHER HALF.

food. There is no magic in the pro- friends in for dinner. Its efficiency is said to be wholly

a it but even robe them of the desire laid for six, as she had invited some

ast week the occupants of a suite of bring them down from my apartment. tedrooms, a drawing room and a All I want is two portions of soup, one of a hotel on Fifth avenue. Their of lyonnuise potatoes and one of peas. ratture followed a heart to heart talk I'll provide the meat. A friend sent me ficular dope was. If had come almost the manager in his private office, a pair of roast ducks from her farm. man and wife had occupied the rooms, and all I want you to do is to send up for sectoral months and it was the perent, them half an hour before dinner. We

later, bringing a cup and some vious signs of economy but it had never which she said the doctor gone quite so far. The house thought

ONE GET THIN QUICK METHOD I gave him notice of a week, but that board at rates they are willing to pay night in the local restaurant. When they take expensive rooms and herself

ere are experts who say that such a max was reached a few weeks ago, when The mother had said especially when she use of living not only does wonders she went to the head waiter and said took the rooms that the children were to reducing the weight of those that practified wanted her table that night eas with her and not to go into the children. dren s room "They were never seen at meal times,

There is no magic in the proIts efficiency is said to be wholly
You just nut on some radishes and the mother had adopted of feeding them the salted almonds or the candies. I'll the salted almonds or the candies. I'll the salted almonds or the candies.

ONE GET THIN QUICK METHOD

If gave him notice of a week, but that unless they used the hotel restaurant was a large and the week of the period from time to time you seldent specially cooked Meals—Trains of Hotel keepers Devices of the pelendid restriction to the period from time to time you seldent specially as a septent who say that such as respective on the period from time to time you seldent specially as a way the rank of the restriction of the sevent to the head waiter and said restriction to the period from time to time you seldent specially to say that such as respective to the period from time to time you seldent specially to say that such as respective to the time you seldent specially to supply some set of the pelendid restriction to the pelendid restriction to the pelendid restriction to the period from time to time you seldent specially to supply some set of the pelendid restriction to the pelendid restriction to the period from time to time you seldent specially to supply some set of the pelendid restriction to the period from time to time you seldent specially to supply some set of the pelendid restriction to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period from time to time you seldent specially to the period to the p

ever she might have said

We gave her the third degree the next
morning. We told her it was expected
that guests should take their meals in
the hotel or at all events should not send
out for their meals. I told her we knew
that she made it a habit to send out twice
a day for her meals. a day for her meals
"Well, what are you going to do about

them half an hour before dinner. We won't want any coffee or cordials, because them conduct as hotel guests that alled the manager to keep them so their meaning." Said the manager in the common dinstile, "the man came down to be manager to the manager in the won't want any coffee or cordials. The head waiter reckoned that the hotel for serving a dinner to six people would take in 50 cents for two portions of soup and about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with more than the usual about 75 cents for the vegetables, so panied with the fore or more than the

night in the office she had overreached any other way. At all events she never

It filled up the bathroom to a depth of one or two mohes, then spread into the adjoining room and caused a section or two of ceiling on the floor below to fall on a chambermaid I don't know what we had to set her back for all that I think it cause to a little over \$400. Those were the most expensive boiled eggs sheeverhad

making beavy weather of it in some under- could not work and now we have lost Nathan in Outled. trying hard but not to very good purpose have the money by 5 o clock " did you never hear it said of a man in such | She telis all this with a German accent, on the Ger len City courtse case that he got in wrong?

Where a shillin's called a bit. here at night the magples

Where our Injin fights were fit. It is not recorded that the Montana Society disbanded after this, and in fact

The finest example of printing on the most artistic single card is that for the second annual convention (1888) of the By United Typothetæ held at the Metropolitan Opera House. The work does credit to the craft represented. On the heavily glazed paper are illuminated letters and beautifully executed types of different kinds. On the cover the rod of

paper and printing, is the menu of the eigars paper and printing, is the menu of the eigars. Far exceeding these in elequence but

Schnapper in asple Soused mullet, sauce tartars. Cold leg of dalty fed pork. Devilled almonds

There is a reprint of the menu eajoyed by Aguinaldo on the morning of his capture, and a Chinese menu of a dinner in Calcutta in April, 1905, given by Tang Shao Yi, Special Ambassador from China to India, on the occasion of the negotiation

of the Tibetan treaty From the banquets given by this nation to its royal guests the supper card commemorating the visit of Prince Louis to the Lambs Club, November 13, 1905, is worthy of mention. The simplicity of the feasted guest. No wonder he called them 'his dear Lambs' as he said good-by.

The menu reads: Oyster cocktails,

and cream, a single gift edged lotos flower, Club, St. Louis, to Prince Henry on March on the cover and an extract from the 3, 1902, and to Prince Wilhelm at the Hotel



ELABORATE MENUS.

Persian poet on the inner leaf. This ban- Astor on August 30, 1907. The banquet quet was in memory of the translator given by the Common Council of Chicago to and versifier Edward Fitzgerald on the Prince Henry on the day following the St. ninety-ninth anniversary of his birth. Louis feast shows a card fairly freekled

There are two from Sandringham Pal- speaks well for the digestion of the popuace; one the usual daily menu of the lar Prince if he neglected none of its royal family, of six or seven courses, courses dated November 29, 1903, and another Our Presidents are not forgotten. An given by the late King in honor of a interesting menu commemorates the shooting party where there were thirty- presence of President and Mrs. Cleveland six covers. Both are in French.

stately buildings of the city. The color- by the then proprietor of the St. Charle ing and arrangement are very artistic Hotel, Mr Blakelie and quite different from any American cards in general effect.

given by the New Zealand Government ex-President Roosevelt's departure on his to the American fleet under Admiral hunting trip is slightly humorous in de-Sperry, August 10, 1968, under the crossed sign, the open mouth of a hopeful hippoflags of Uncle Sam and John Buil, you potamus covering one entire page, a read of several distinctively British erouching lion another, while a row of dishes with a touch of Teuton.

Many foreign menus claim attention, with heraldic crests and a bill of fare that

at the Capital City Club, Atlanta, Ga., There is a menu of a royal buncheon held. October 23, 1866. President McKinley is at the Guidhall at the coronation of King recalled by the menu of the dinner given Edward and Queen Alexandra Novem- by the citizens of New Orleans, the arber 25, 1992, on a rather cheap paper with rangement of the elaborate dishes as well colored photogravures of several of the as the decorations of the cards being done The banquet held on board the steam-

ship Hamburg of the Hamburg-American In the menu descriptive of the feast | Line on March 23, 1909, on the occasion of dancing Teddy bears form tail pieces.

## WRECK OF A LINEN CLOSET selling on credit, so great, she tells her vicinms, is the need of getting the money to appearse the landlord and keep her and

I sually she accordes to get a cord to every victim. This is managed by asking a woman if she has not a friend who will want to take advantage of the wonderful bargains she offers. These are linen tablecloths. At least they look like. linen tableclaths. At least they look like, and sells it on commission. linen with their highly mercerized sur-accent, her facility for wee

There are so many water trying to get ahead of an a la carte hotel, such as cooking eggs in the hot water, boiling coffee on an alcohol stove or warming crackers on the steam heater.

"We wondered what this woman's particular dope was. If had come almost to be time to ask her if she had decided not to eat in the hotel and then to raise the price of the rooms.

"Finally we noticed the regularity with which the governess would enter the hotel which had good at a certain rate because she had give in the hore as other persons did not to eat in the hotel and then to raise the price of the rooms.

"Finally we noticed the regularity with which the governess would enter the hotel which are a good sized paster which the governess would enter the hotel which had got at a certain rate because she had give in the she gets the base results.

"I must sell all my household linen that the pince 5 o clock to-night," she tells her victim as she weeps comounly, "else my old husband and I will be dispossed and it's not touble for move a week earlier. The price of the rooms and the price of the rooms.

"Finally we noticed the regularity with which the governess would enter the hotel which had got at a certain rate because she had give in the find that it pays."

"I must sell all my household linen the pince 5 o clock to-night," she tells her victim as she weeps comounly, "else my old husband and I will be dispossed and any lines with 92 strokes.

"Why, not at all," said Belinda's wise brother: "that is true of many things believe to a clock to-night," she tells her victim as she weeps comounly, "else my old husband and I will be dispossed and it's processed with the pince of the rooms and the price of the rooms."

"I must sell all my household linen the pince of the rooms at t

success in exciting the sympathy She burst into tears so soon as she has been admitted to the apartment it is naturally in large apartment houses that she gets the best results.

hear it said of a man who seemed to be "But he was taken sick, my man, he any other branch of sport," says G. J. taking who seemed to bungle and take everything. I am selling the linen I illustration of this enthusiasm can be wrong steps and not to be sure of what he brought over from Germany for half cited than the wager that was made was doing, who was struggling along and what it cost; because I must. I must several years ago by a former national chamteen with a number of his friends

The which gave him one cup and her houtand who the form one cup and her houtand who the form of the first while the tears flow down her cheeks. While in the heat of a discussion over